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With each passing day, the loss of life and property and human suffering from Hurricane Katrina becomes more apparent. Lives have been destroyed and homes demolished, and it will be many months before people can even begin to rebuild their lives. The devastation from this disaster will be felt for many years to come.

Many people living in Los Angeles County have relatives who have been affected by this disaster, and are willing to sponsor and help relocate the victims to Los Angeles, either temporarily or permanently, so they are able to provide emotional and social support and to help them get back on their feet. We as a County should ensure that we are prepared to accept these disaster victims and make every service for which they are eligible available to them as quickly as possible.

THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

1. to convene a Task Force, comprised of County and County-related agencies, including, but not limited to:

- Housing Authority of Los Angeles County
- Office of Emergency Management
- Department of Public Social Services

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- Department of Community and Senior Services
- Office of Education
- Department of Mental Health
- Office of Public Health
- Department of Children and Family Services

and invite representatives from the California State Office of Emergency Services and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to develop guidelines and a process relative to providing expedited public services for qualified, displaced families affected by Hurricane Katrina relocating temporarily or permanently to Los Angeles County. These policies should include anti-fraud measures to ensure that only legitimate victims can apply for Federal, State, or local services;

2. to invite representatives from the airline, rail, bus, and hotel industries to participate in the Task Force;

3. to include a plan to utilize the County's website and the 211 information line to help disseminate information; and

4. to report back to this Board within 14 days with the Task Force's plan of action.

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